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Title: \ IN SITU THERMAL PROCESSING OF A HYDROCARBON -

CONTAINING FORMATION TO INCREASE A POROSITY OF THE FORMATION

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## Amendment

Sir:

Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

## In the Claims:

Listed below are clean copies of amended claims. Marked-up copies of the amended claims are provided in an accompanying document.

(amended) A method of treating a hydrocarbon containing formation in situ, comprising: providing heat from one or more heaters to at least a portion of the formation; and

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